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Alligator man

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Y home for all cultures

Powwow closes out weeks fun

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Heritage Week came to a close this weekend with the 21st annual Harold A. Cedartree dance competition Pow Wow.

Native Americans from all over the Western United States and Canada traveled to BYU to compete, renew old friendships and to have a good time.

"It is something we can do as Native Americans," said Ken Williams, a dancer from Seneca, N.Y., who competed in the men's golden age traditional. "It is a bond between the tribes."

Powwow marked the finale of Heritage Week, which featured Latin American and Polynesian cultures in a fiesta, and a song and dance gathering known in Hawaii as Kanikapila, and a night of performances by BYU's Living Legends.

American Indians of all ages filled the WSC Ballroom on Friday and Saturday to show their skills and possibly win some prize money. Dancers at the powwow competed in different age and gender categories and in different dances, such as the traditional, fancy and grass dances.

Sharon Arrowchis, from Springville, is dancing the jingle dance this year and has participated in the Cedartree competition for the past three years.

"I enjoy making new friends, and seeing old friends," Arrowchis said.

Michael Dann from Fort Hall, Idaho, who competed in the men's traditional, said American Indians dance to preserve the culture and have fun.

"I'm dancing for my father, my grandfather and all those who can't be with me," he said.

Jack Peterson/Daily Universe

A young American- Indian girl struts her stuff at the annual powwow in the Wilkinson Student Center on Friday night.

Diverse population enhances culture

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It's been almost a year since Supriya Pathak has seen her family. It will probably be another three or four years before she will be with them again.

Pathak, 20, a sophomore from Ammedabad, Gujarat, India, majoring in information systems, has been studying in America for over a year.

She came to BYU at the recommendation of her older sister who lives in Texas.

Pathak said she came to BYU because of the price, her major, and the environment.

"BYU is cheap," she said, "That's one of the first things an international student looks at when looking to studying abroad."

Her major, information systems, is the second thing which brought Pathak to Utah.

However, competition is stiff.

"International students have to excel so that you can prove that you are better than U.S. citizens," she said.

Yaseem Bazian, 20, from Amman, Jordan, majoring in pre-advertising, said she came to BYU because the only school in Jordan offering her major at the time wasn't nearly as good as BYU.

"I came to BYU because I wanted to study film making and the school at home wasn't nearly as good as the schools here," Bazian said.

The environment also draws students to Utah Valley.

Jawad Taj, 23, from Abbottabad, Pakistan, majoring in information systems, said he feels at home at BYU.

"I feel blessed. I feel at home. As a Muslim, we have the same codes of life," Taj said.

"There are hardly any differences."

Although he likes BYU, Taj said after graduation he's planning to go back home to Pakistan.

"Because I love my country, I love my people and I want to do something for my country," Taj said. "That's why I came here to get an education."

photo courtesy of Christine Rappleye

Shweta Pathak, 19, from India, wears traditional Indian costume on special occasions. International students bring cultures from their native lands and diversify BYU community.

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Black students overcome stereotypes

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"Are you on the football team?"

"One of my friends is black, do you know her?"

"Do you speak ebonics?"

As part of a .4 percent minority at BYU, black students often find themselves confronted with such questions that point out the physical difference between these 138 students and the rest of the BYU student body.

Landy Bouka, president of the Black Student Union at BYU, said most black students at BYU find themselves faced with a major culture shock as they move not only into a predominantly Latter-day Saint environment, but also into an environment where she often feels like the speck of color on campus.

While the BYU black population is only slightly behind the University of Utah's population of .6 percent, it is half of Utah's .8 percent black population and lags far behind the 12.3 percent national average.

Bouka said although being one of the few blacks students on campus has opened her eyes to the outdated ideas that still linger on BYU campus, it has also allowed her to find who she is beneath the skin color.

Alisha Pixton, a black student at BYU, said her position as a minority on campus made her realize if she wanted to have a good experience in college she was going to have to find out who she was and be herself despite some provincial attitudes.

"Having to worry about what other people think would weigh one down. We're here to help people expand their views and break the bubble," Pixton said.

Abe Mills, faculty adviser for the Black Student Union, said although black students at BYU face unique challenges, he does not believe in the victims theory. As a result, Mills said he has pushed the idea of education through the union so both black and white students can see the beauty in the black heritage, as well as the similarities between the two cultures.

Mills further views the situation of black students as a crossroads where students can either realize their unique opportunity to educate people about black culture, or simply shutdown in the face of adversity.

"You can either get involved and enjoy yourself, or you can take every negative of it and have a horrible experience," Mills said. "You are a representative here and people are gonna be judged by your behavior."

Both Mills and Bouka agree that while there is no serious discrimination or obvious racism on campus, there are stereotypes that pervade the campus. Bouka said several people think all black students have athletic scholarships or that they somehow all know each other. She said it is a common problem for black students to be confused with each other just because they have the same skin color.

"To say that there are no problems is really just to hide your eyes. I'm not saying it's not getting better, but to ignore it is ridiculous," Mills said.

"Considering their own history, you would think Mormons would understand black people better than anyone," Mills said.

Bouka likewise said she has never experienced face-to-face discrimination, but the little stares or comments by teachers asking her to give the "black perspective" get irritating because people do not help themselves by getting educated. Bouka said she even had a professor who asked another teacher to call Bouka when she was ill because she thought her colleague "knew how to handle black people better."

photo illustration by Rodolfo Mejia

E-mail system still cluttered

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Computer engineers at BYU keep the university's e-mail system running with few interruptions in service. However, they still can't fix the code of the programming because an outside vendor owns it.

"We're at the mercy of the vendor. We supply the problems to them and they have to try to figure them out," said Russell Allred, Information Technology product manager for BYU. "They haven't been able to figure them out."

The vendor is a small business called Endymion Corp. that employs three people including the president, Alyn Porter.

"A high load on the program seems to aggravate the system, which is probably why the vendor hasn't seen it yet," Allred said.

Endymion's program is having trouble with the high numbers of e-mail accounts at BYU, said Stan Peters, computing specialist for BYU. A total of 23,713 people have used Endymion's Version three last semester. Students' e-mail accounts are not immediately removed from the system after they graduate, so many of those users may not be students, Peters said.

Most of Endymion's client's are "smaller customers with smaller user bases," Porter said. They have three other clients the size of BYU. Porter gave no definitive answers regarding how long it takes to work out the bugs in a large e-mail system.

"It can take months or even years," he said. "Mail systems look relatively simple from the users' point of view, but they are actually extremely complex systems that can be very difficult to maintain."

The instability of the program has kept Version 3 in a preview mode. Version 2 remains the primary system used by most students.

"Because of that small instability, we don't feel comfortable having only one system," Allred said.

Jennifer Joy, public relations coordinator for the Office of Information Technology, said it is for the convenience of the students that two e-mail systems are available.

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Report questions Romney's Games role

BOSTON — Mitt Romney, who has made the much-vaunted rescue of the Winter Olympics the cornerstone of his gubernatorial campaign, had less to do with the Games' recovery than he suggests, according to the Boston Sunday Globe.

Dozens of interviews and Olympic budget records suggest that the games' financial recovery was well under way by the time he stepped off the plane from Boston.

And contrary to his assertion that the games might not have happened at all in Salt Lake City had he not taken the reins, most of the financing was in place before he was hired, and there was never any question that the Olympics would be held in Utah.

The scandal "was troublesome, but the games were never in jeopardy," said Mike Moran, spokesman for the U.S. Olympic Committee. "The games were never in danger of being moved. Ever."

In interviews with the Globe, Romney downplayed the discrepancies, saying that only a few biased critics would conclude that the games were in better shape financially than he claimed.

Personal purity urged for young women

SALT LAKE CITY — Young Women of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints worldwide were encouraged during their annual convention to maintain high standards of personal worthiness.

"It is so much easier to do what is right than to do what is wrong. Life is so much less complicated when you are good," said Margaret D. Nadauld, general president of the Young Women's organization.

At the annual meeting in the Conference Center, Nadauld urged the girls to avoid bad language, harmful magazines and movies and immodest dress and live by gospel principles.

Young women who embrace such ideals develop three attributes that God desires them to have in preparation for becoming mothers, said Carol B. Thomas, second counselor in the Young Women presidency. They are nurturing, sacrifice and prayer, which will prepare them to become wives and mothers in the future.

Fortune taps Wal-Mart world's largest

NEW YORK — Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the discounter that has become the dominant force in American retailing, is now the largest company in the nation and the world, capturing the top spot on the annual Fortune 500 list.

Wal-Mart, No. 2 on the list a year ago, traded places with oil giant Exxon Mobil Corp. in the rankings compiled on the basis of companies' annual revenue figures. The retailer's ascendancy was expected after both companies issued their 2001 results earlier this year.

The list of America's 500 biggest companies, published in the issue of Fortune magazine that reaches newsstands Monday, has some surprises, most notably bankrupt Enron Corp. moving up two notches to No. 5 despite its downward spiral.

Fortune itself questioned why Enron stayed on the list, but noted that the company benefited from the fact that, like other energy traders, it was allowed to include trading contracts in its revenues.

Quake shakes Taiwan, killing at least 5

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Cranes and scaffolding at a high-rise building site crashed to the ground after a powerful earthquake jolted Taiwan on Sunday, killing five construction workers, authorities said.

Two aftershocks measuring magnitudes 4.8 and 4.5, shook the eastern part of the island today setting of landslides. No injuries were reported.

In Sunday's quake, more than 200 injuries were reported across the island, mostly minor, as the quake started fires, shattered windows and cracked walls. Local officials said it registered magnitude 6.8, but the U.S. Geological Survey estimated it higher, at 7.1.

Two cranes fell from the 60th floor of a high-rise building under construction. Television footage showed the cranes tumbling down from the top of the structure, bringing steel beams and chunks of cement down with it.

Police identified the victims as two crane operators and three other construction workers. Dozens of other workers, many of them from Thailand, ran down from the structure safely, witnesses said.

Weather

Yesterday		Today		Tuesday	
High	63 as of	Sunny		Sunny	
Low	35 5 p.m.	High	65	High	63
Precipitation		Low	39	Low	34
Yesterday	0"				
Month to date	1.38"				
Year to date	2.28"				

sources: BYU Geography Dept., CNN

Scripture of the Day

"Whatever principle of intelligence we attain unto in this life, it will rise with us in the resurrection. And if a person gains more knowledge and intelligence through his diligence and obedience than another, he will have so much the advantage in the world to come."

— D&C 130:18-19

Courtney Dickerson, 19, a freshman from Midlothian, Va., majoring in sociology, said she likes this scripture because it "applies to our lives both temporally and spiritually."

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Weekly Calendar

To submit an event, send an e-mail to calendar@du2.byu.edu. Include event info, contact name and phone number.

Today

Baseball
BYU vs. Notre Dame today at 1 p.m. and Tuesday at 6 p.m. in South Bend, Ind.

Tuesday

University Forum
President of Baylor University, Robert B. Sloan, addresses students and faculty at 11 a.m. in the Marriott Center.

University Strings Concert
BYU chamber string orchestra performs at 7:30 p.m. in the Madsen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

Men's Chorus
Men's Chorus gives final performance at 7 and 9 p.m. in the de Jong Concert Hall. Tickets are $6 with a BYU ID and $9 without.

Wednesday

International Lecture Series
Wade Jacoby presents "Miss Eastern Europe: Who Will Win the Decade Long Beauty Contest and Gain EU Membership?" at noon in 238 HRCB.

Alice Louise Reynolds Lecture
James A. Toronto presents "From Alpine to Aleppo: The Booth Journals as Chronicle and Catalyst of LDS Growth in the Middle East" at 2 p.m. in the HBLL Auditorium.

Spanish Golden Age Comedy
"The Phantom Lady" performs Wednesday through Friday at 6:30 p.m. in the west courtyard of the HBLL. Tickets are $6 and are available at the door.

Wind Symphony
BYU's top brass and wind ensemble presents a winter concert at 7:30 p.m. in the de Jong Concert Hall. Tickets are $6 with a BYU ID and $9 without.

Concert
Shye Violet and Simple People play at 7:30 p.m. at Muse Music. Tickets are $3.

Thursday

Master of Organizational Behavior Spring Conference
Marriott School of Management hosts "Changing Organizations" Thursday and Friday. For information call 422-2665.

Family History and Technology Workshop
All-day workshop on family history and genealogy. To register visit familyhistorytechnology.byu.edu/workshop02/.

American Studies Students Association
Lure of the West activity at 11 a.m. in the Museum of Art lobby.

Men's Tennis
BYU vs. New Mexico State at 1:30 p.m. in Las Cruces, N.M.

Baseball
BYU vs. Utah on Thursday and Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 1 p.m. in Provo.

World Music Series Performance
Salzburg Quartet performs at 7 p.m. in the Leeds Gallery in the Museum of Art. Admission is free.

Songwriter's Showcase
Students showcase their newest songs at 7:30 p.m. in the Madsen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

Friday

Men's Tennis
BYU vs. Air Force at 10 a.m. in Albuquerque, N.M.

Women's Track and Field
Texas Relays on Friday and Saturday in Austin.

Softball
BYU vs. Colorado State at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. in Provo.

Women's Tennis
BYU vs. Colorado State in Laramie, Wyo.

"BYU Day on the Farm"
BYU Block and Bridle Club sponsor event to educate children about life in a farming atmosphere from 2-5 p.m. at the Ellsworth Center.

Chamber Orchestra
Pre-tour concert at 7:30 p.m. in the de Jong Concert Hall. Tickets are $6 with a BYU ID and $9 without.

Israel vows all-out v

Palestinians: Sharon smashes peace

Associated Press

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said Israel was at war for its survival and vowed to smash Palestinian militants in an uncompromising offensive as he addressed a nation rattled by five suicide bombings in five days — including back-to-back attacks Sunday that killed 15 Israelis.

In an expansion of Israel's "Operation Protective Wall," dozens of Israeli tanks entered the West Bank town of Qalqiliya late Sunday, governor Mustafa Malki said. Electricity was cut off and exchanges of fire could be heard. Armored vehicles also massed near biblical Bethlehem.

In Ramallah, under Israeli control since Friday, dozens of European peace activists, their arms raised and holding white flags, marched past Israeli soldiers surrounding Yasser Arafat's office to join the Palestinian leader, saying they would stay with him as human shields.

At least 20 Palestinians and two Israeli soldiers had been killed in Ramallah since Friday.

Late Sunday, witnesses and Palestinian officials said Israeli soldiers opened fire on and killed five policeman when the Palestinians tried to surrender in Ramallah.

"We put our weapons at the main entrance and started to walk out when the Israelis fired on us," said a policeman at the building who would only give his name as Omar. He said 17 police remained in the building and the standoff continued.

In a statement, the Israeli military said "wanted men" were in the building and one of them, wearing an explosives belt, opened fire on them. The soldiers chased him and shot him dead, the statement said.

The military statement also said that Israeli soldiers entered Ramallah Hospital to look for suspects, but "categorically denies false Palestinian claims of a mass murder and massacre at the hospital." The military spokesman's office said soldiers searched the hospital for suspects "while safeguarding the dignity of those within."

In the north of Israel, Hezbollah guerrillas in Lebanon fired on Israeli troops in the second border incident in as many days. The Israeli military said it believed it shot two of the guerillas. No Israeli soldiers we

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George Carlos, a public health scientist, was hired by the association to conduct a six-year, $25 million research effort.

Carlos' findings confirmed the industry's worst nightmare, linking cell phone use to a brain tumor called acoustic neuroma.

"People who reported using cell phones for six years or more had a 50 percent higher chance of developing this benign tumor," Carlos said.

The radiation emitted by the phone is absorbed 1 to 2 inches into the skull causing some heating of the brain tissue.

Using a headset, rather than holding the phone directly to the head, may minimize possible side effects, said Janice Brewer, spokeswoman for the World Health Organization.

Some students are aware of the possible cell phone dangers.

"I refuse to use my cell phone without the headset piece," said John Holland, 23, a senior from Layton, Salt Lake County, majoring in business management.

Holland recently read an article discussing radiation emission from cell phones, and has since limited his airtime.

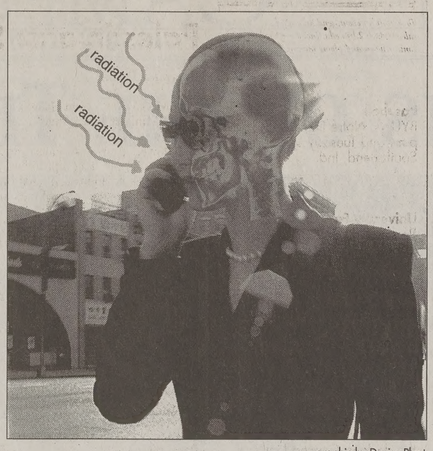
"Cancer runs in my family," Holland said. "I am trying to avoid increasing my risks at all costs."

Cell phone companies may reject possible hazards, but Motorola, Nokia, Hitachi and Ericsson have all rushed to buy radiation-shield patents, Larkin said.

These shields are used to reduce the risk of brain tumors among consumers, she said.

Michael Westmark, Ericsson spokesman, said the patents were designed to improve the performance of mobile phones by reducing the radio waves, not specifically to prevent brain tumors.

Until further research is completed, the World Health Organization suggests cell phone users limit their time on a cell phone and consider using a hands-free device, Brewer said.



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Study: Military nurses are scarce

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Both the war on terrorism and the national nursing shortage are tugging military nursing, according to the authors of a published BYU study.

The issue of the Journal of Nursing Administration contains a five-page article co-authored by Cristyn Cooper, who researched the issue as a graduate student, and Robert Parsons, director of the Romney Institute of Public Management.

"Both the government and the private sector see this shortage as a long-term problem that no short-term solution can fix," Parsons said.

Cooper interviewed military nurses in four states for her research and said salary level is the military's biggest problem in recruiting nurses.

"This means the military can't attract the personnel it needs for the current and increasing demand," Cooper said.

In August, Cooper received a master's degree in public management. Her goal is to work in hospital administration, while her interest in the military is due to her husband's membership in the Air Force ROTC.

The Army ROTC battalion for BYU and Utah Valley State College has only one cadet studying nursing, senior Rich Gordon, 25, from Mendon, Cache County.

"They were really happy to have me on board," Gordon said. "They are paying for a huge chunk of my school so it was a good deal for them and for me."

Gordon said military salary levels might be an issue for some people, but military careers offer other advantages.

"You're not going to get very wealthy in the military, but you are well taken care of," Gordon said. "The benefits and the opportunities are greater in the military."

Before joining ROTC, Gordon began working with the Army Reserve 328th Field Hospital of Ft. Douglass.

Because most Army reserves work in civilian positions, placing medical units on active duty in Afghanistan pinches personnel in civilian hospitals, Cooper said.

"All of the reserve call-ups have really exacerbated the situation," Cooper said. "The shortage is leaving fewer resources at home."

Despite the shortage, nurses' salaries are being held to control health care costs, according to the study.

"Unfortunately, the nurses in this country are bearing the brunt of this health care crisis," Cooper said.

"That's too bad because they have the most contact with the patients."

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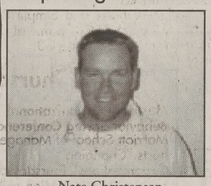
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SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Y program struggles for respect

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American Sign Language may be one of the most popular foreign languages taught at BYU, but don't try to get a degree in it.

The school doesn't offer an ASL major.

Still, students have flocked to ASL classes.

About 700 students take an ASL course each semester, making it the second-largest foreign language program at BYU, said Lynn Henrichsen, chair of the Linguistics Department.

The ASL program was established in 1973, and it has struggled since then to gain acceptance as a credible language.

The ASL program has always struggled to offer classes for some type of credit, Henrichsen said.

It wasn't until about eight years ago that ASL was offered as an option to satisfy the mathematics/foreign language requirement for General Education, said Jack Rose, the coordinator of ASL program.

But even that didn't come easy, Rose said.

Linguistics professor John Robertson agreed: Getting ASL to count for GE requirements was a major accomplishment.

ASL teachers, students and members of the Linguistics

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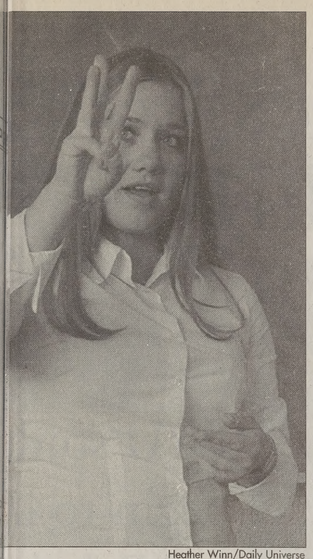

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Robertson said if a minor was offered, those who are studying to be teachers could take the ASL courses and meet the demand for ASL teachers in high schools and in other institutions where ASL is used.

Robertson said he thinks the university rejected the proposal because adding an ASL minor would result in having too many minors in the Linguistics Department.

Robertson also said a new faculty member would have to be added to create a minor, which the university felt was inappropriate.

Henrichsen said they have also thought of having a joint program with Utah Valley State College, but nothing has been decided.

ASL courses are offered through the Department of Evening Classes and are taught by part-time faculty members, Henrichsen said.

Landlords shift toward yearly leases

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Provo housing rates decrease dramatically each spring, and summer and landlords generally end up losing money.

"Housing complexes cannot survive on spring and summer rent rates," said John Pace, manager of BYU's Off-Campus Housing Office.

How do landlords cope?

Say hello to the 12-month lease, an increasingly popular tool for landlords to survive the lean off-season months — and a tactic that has some students scrambling to find buyers for their spring/summer contracts.

"It is becoming more common for housing complexes to require 12-month contracts," Pace said. "We have noticed over the years that it is the most popular places that require it."

Because of yearlong contracts, some students end up paying rent for spring or summer, even when they are at home.

"This year there is more vacancy for spring and summer," said Debbie Bishop, owner of Mountain View Management, which manages Belmont and other Condo Row complexes. "I'm attributing that to more students going home because they can find better paying jobs there than in Provo."

Besides the year-round lease, housing complexes often turn to a more traditional method of luring spring/summer tenants: lower prices.

"Our rent rates generally go down about $100 during spring and summer," Bishop said. "We have to do that in order to fill up."

Although rental rates decrease for students during spring and summer, housing complex owners still have to pay the same mortgages to the bank. Sometimes, it means making no profit during spring and summer.

"Mortgages stay the same year-round," Bishop said. "Housing owners sometimes do not even break even."

Some housing owners said in recent years they have had no vacancies for fall and winter, but they typically do have vacancies for spring and summer.

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> — John Pace, manager of BYU's Off-Campus Housing Office

In order to fill spring and summer contracts, some housing owners have been requiring students to sign contracts for spring and summer in order to live in their facility during fall and winter, Pace said.

Academy Arms apartments try to sell year-round contracts.

"If students do not want to sign a year contract, we put them on a waiting list for fall/winter contracts," said Greg Cummins, co-manager of Academy Arms apartments.

BYU approved housing vacancy percentages

January 2002

single women's housing 3.8%
single men's housing 2.7%

July 2001

single women's housing 17.6%
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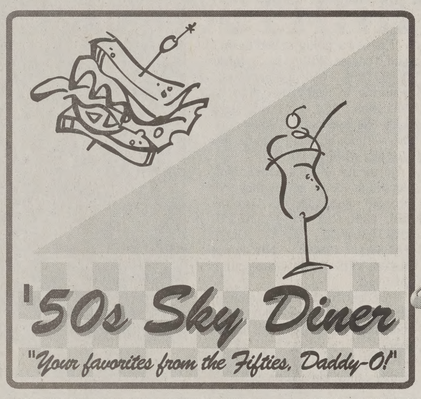
Source: BYU Off-campus housing office



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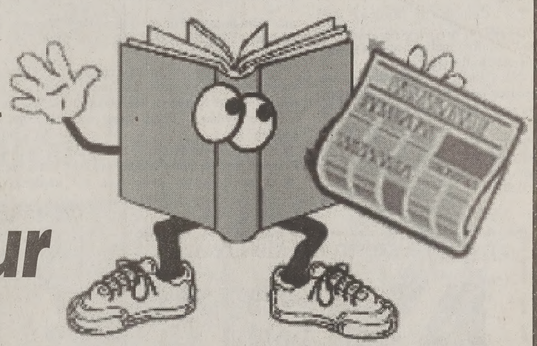

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Aliens invade Helamen Halls

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An unidentified flying object was seen hovering over the Helaman Halls Saturday at 9 p.m.

According to eyewitnesses, spinning lights could be seen on the bottom of the spacecraft.

Drew Thomas, 18, a freshman from Area 51, Nev., majoring in psychology, says he thinks the aliens are after him.

"They are following me," he said. "My family and I thought that by moving to Provo, we would no longer be chased. I don't know how they found me."

John Christensen, 19, a freshman from Denver majoring in mechanical engineering, also noticed the flying saucer.

"Yes, I saw a beam of light with a radius of 4-feet fire onto the ground," Christensen said. "It was so bright, probably 250,000 lumens. I thought I saw two little green personages with big eyes and two breathing holes in the beam."

Thomas said he believes the personages were the aliens who had been haunting his family all his life.

Five years ago, his father mysteriously disappeared, and Thomas said he had to have been abducted, not by man, but by some extraterrestrial being.

After the disappearance, Thomas had a personal encounter with what he calls "the enemy."

"When I was younger," he said, "I was actually picked up by the aliens and spent eight days in their saucer. They performed numerous medical examinations on me. I think they were trying to steal my soul."

Thomas said if the aliens had captured him up this time, they definitely would have stolen his soul out of him.

"I am glad that I wasn't picked up," Thomas said. "My whole family is glad, even my father, wherever he may be. And while you are interviewing me, I just want to take this time to say, I love you daddy."

The incident has left many freshmen at Helaman Halls in panic.

"I'm never going to bed again," said Venessa Willis, 18, a freshman from Washington, D.C. majoring in health and physical education. "If I do, I will sleep with one eye open. I know that this will not be healthy, but it is a risk I'm willing to take."

University police are investigating the incident, but say they will proceed with caution. Also the FBI, ATF, CIA, FEMA, ACLU, UDOT, FDA, EPA, DOD, FAFSA, GMC, NASDAQ, NASA, VHS and DVD are getting involved.

President Bush has declared an all out war against the aliens, including all those who harbor them.

Happy Valley is no longer a happy valley, but a scary valley.

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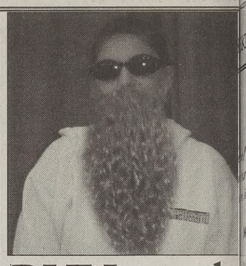
Freshman look to the skys in fear of being abducted by the invading aliens.



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BYU is taking one more step to being ... campuses April 30.

The Modesty Committee approved a... afternoon allowing facial hair and shirt... midriff on campus, according to co... Alan Greenborough.

"The committee is fed up with stud... and lack of diversity," Greenborough ... men to have beards and women to ... seemed to be a logical solution to the p...

Soil management professor Bruce Wi... code arose from litigation against the u... lating basic civil rights with the modes...

Jennie Byrston, former BYU student ... suit against BYU, said the code has o... and violated Constitutional guarantee... expression since its inception.

"It seems obvious to me that BYU d... ty of the U.S. Constitution in many th... said. "The freedom of speech guaran... Amendment includes body language."

Legal counsel John Burnett denies th... violated the Constitution, and asserts ... nothing to do with the decision to char...

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"We're going to be seeing all sorts o... ing scruffy boys and promiscuous wom... they belong in 'Moulin Rouge,'" said ... director of BYU Internal Affairs Office...

Students, however, have mixed feelin...

Randy Chapel, 23, a senior from M... majoring in economics, said the chang... due, and insists beards are no longer a ... He also claims thousands of women's ... be seen when the weather warms up.

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"I've got to set myself apart from the ... how," Nash said. "If they won't let me ... rings, I'll have to expose some skin."

Brittany Young, 19, a freshman from ... English, couldn't disagree more.

"We are supposed to be in the worl... world," she said. "The Modesty Code v... holding us back from the smut of Baby...

Young claims sex crimes and filth are... the university within a week, and BYU ... because God will no longer support it.

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BYU tunnels home to janitor and pet alligator

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Unexpected things live in unexpected, dark places.

Blaine Bellows worked as a janitor at BYU for 15 years from 1980 to 1995. For the past seven years, he has lived beneath the sidewalks of the campus with his pet alligator, lurking in the concrete maze that connects the buildings.

"I never thought I would end up living like this," Bellows said. "I was fourth in line to become head custodian of the Clyde Building. Now I'm just the crazy alligator guy."

In November 1994, Bellows walked by a biology laboratory in the Widtsoe Building and saw a baby alligator in an aquarium. He took it, left the keys to his 1966 AMC Rambler in the aquarium as payment, and hurried the reptile back to his one-bedroom apartment.

"Norton wanted to be with me, and I wanted to be with him," Bellows said. "You could tell by the way he smiled."

The College of Biology and Agriculture was unaware any theft had occurred and did not report the incident to the police.

"We figured that the alligator had escaped from his aquarium and made its way outside or died in the ventilation system," said Carl Yates, associate professor of biology. "There's no way an infant alligator could have survived on its own in November."

Bellows fed the alligator with eggs and store-bought fish. At night, he incubated the creature with heat from his own body.

"I think Norton and I really developed a bond during those first fragile months," said Bellows. "He needed me for everything — food, water, and warmth."

Raising an alligator took so much of Bellows' time he chose to quit his job so he could devote more time to Norton's care. He stopped paying rent, and was evicted two months later.

Bellows had copied the keys he was given as a janitor, and he used them to gain access to the subterranean labyrinth under BYU.

"It was perfect," Bellows said. "It's warm down there, even in the winter. There are places for Norton to swim, students are always leaving food around, and we even borrowed a couple mats from the gymnastics gym to sleep on."

Norton, now 5-feet long and weighing more than 100 pounds, survives on rodents and cats that find their way below ground, as well as discarded meat products.

The university has chosen to allow Bellows and Norton to remain in the tunnels as long as they do not disrupt campus life, said Mike Dresden, director of physical facilities.

"We hardly ever see any sign that Blaine and Norton are down there," Dresden said. "They haven't hurt anyone so far, so we don't see any reason to have them removed. Plus, Norton has really helped keep the stray animals to a minimum."

Bellows has no plans to relocate. "This is where I was meant to be," he said. "These tunnels are our home."

Food donations for Bellows and Norton can be placed on the grid above the ventilation shaft on the Northwest side of the Spencer W. Kimball Tower.

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Blaine Bellows, with pet alligator in the BYU tunnels, calls life below campus Home Sweet Home.

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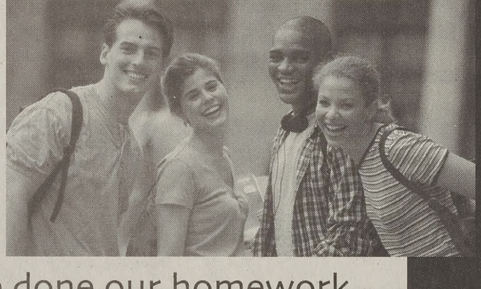

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Baseball takes series, faces Notre Dame today

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After winning two out of three games at the Air Force Academy on Friday and Saturday, the Cougar baseball team will battle the Fighting Irish today.

BYU has matched up with Notre Dame (12-10) on four occasions, posting a 2-2 record.

"We're looking forward to going back there," coach Vance Law said. "I'm just hoping that the weather will hold there."

The Cougars go into today's game with an 11-15-1 record, having swept Friday's doubleheader, 4-2 and 9-5, but dropping the final game 5-7 to AFA.

In game one, BYU scored first in the fourth inning when sophomore infielder Rob Itri singled to right field, sending junior right fielder Matt Carson home.

In the same inning, AFA stole the lead with a two-run home run.

BYU took the lead back in the sixth inning with three runs, sealing their victory.

Cold winds could have posed a problem, but starting pitcher Jeff Mousser was able to relax.

"I felt I had some good stuff today," he said. "It's a little cold out there, but I finally settled down a bit."

Mousser pitched a strong seven-inning game, allowing two runs off three hits. Mousser picked up his fourth victory of the season in a game — a game that lasted less than two hours.

In game two of the doubleheader, the Falcons quickly proved they could compete with BYU, scoring four unearned runs in the first inning.

But starting senior pitcher Ryan Adams and the defense took control of the rest of the game, allowing AFA only one more run.

Down by four, the Cougars did not start scoring until the sixth inning and continued scoring in each successive inning.

Carson's three hits and one RBI, combined with four hits and three RBI's by junior first baseman Dave Jensen, proved to be too much for the Falcons.

In Saturday's game, junior second baseman Cameron Coughlan hit a solo home run in the first inning. But AFA battled back in the same inning with five runs of their own.

Carson's powerful arm prevented another AFA run in the fourth when he threw out a Falcon at home after catching a sacrifice.

Jensen gave BYU a chance to come back in the third when he hit a two-run double down the left line. Jensen scored off Itri's single down centerfield.

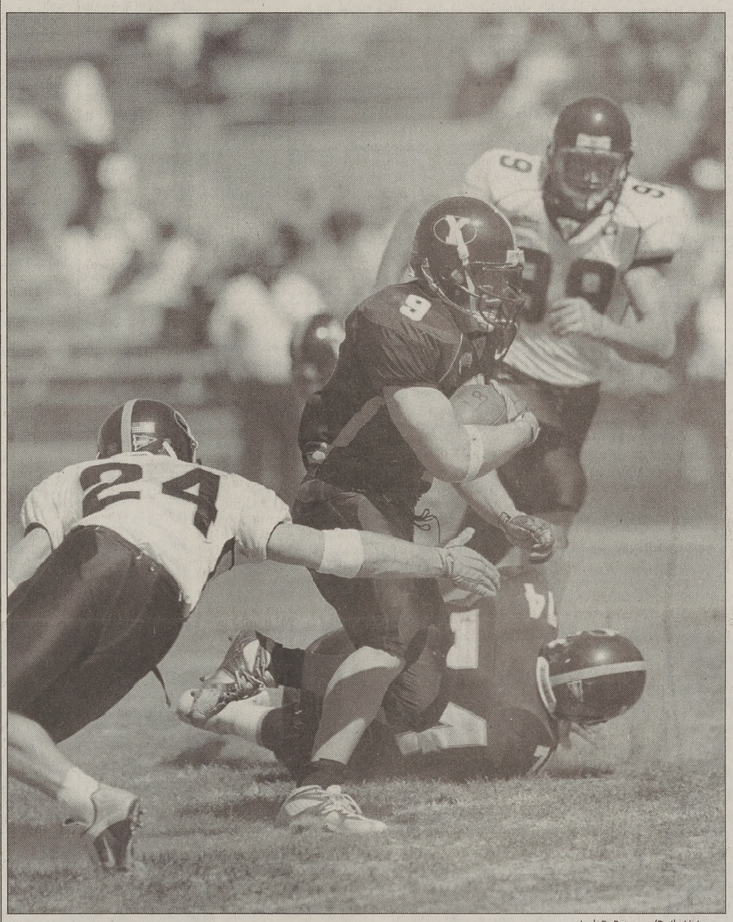
BYU scored one more in the fifth but let the Falcons extend their lead and seal the victory.

Jensen extended his hitting streak to 12 games, leading the team with 42 hits, six home runs, 25 RBI's and averaging .372.

"Fortunately, I've been able to contribute," Jensen said. "But I would rather see us win."

Today's game against Notre Dame starts at 11 a.m. MST and Tuesday's game starts at 4 p.m.

Blue/White Scrimmage



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Members of this season's BYU football team participate in Saturday's Blue/White Scrimmage. The Cougars wrapped up the spring season with the annual scrimmage at LaVell Edwards Stadium in front of 5,118 fans.

Football fans get peek of upcoming season

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While the BYU football team has several months and many hours of practice before the fall season begins, the annual Blue/White Scrimmage proved BYU's fans are ready for the action now.

"It's never too early to get a good start on getting excited for next year," BYU student Tyler Peck said.

Peck was just one of the 5,118 fans that appeared Saturday to cheer on BYU in the spring season closing event.

The fans were especially interested in not only who was playing, but how they were playing and what it meant for the fall.

"You always want to know who's out there and who's playing," BYU student Jeremy Miller said.

The scrimmage isn't only for the crowds, however. Orem resident Lehuanani Velasco Kanehele said the fans help bring unity to the team as they see family and friends supporting them.

Former BYU running back Luke Staley also sees the value the fans can give to the players.

"It's fun to get out here and play in front of the fans because it brings so much excitement into the game," Staley said.

Excitement is something the Cougars have grown accustomed to in the LaVell Edwards Stadium. With a spectacular season behind them and a fresh team before them, fans hope for a reason to be enthusiastic next season as well.

Coach Gary Crowton said while the team lost a number of key seniors, the outlook is good.

"There are a lot of new spots in there and a lot of questions that we're trying to answer in a positive way," Crowton said. "We have high expectations, but we hope to do well."

After a successful start to his BYU career, fans are looking to Crowton for another big season.

Quarterback Todd Mortensen is confident in both the coaching staff and the team's response.

"Coach Crowton and the offensive staff are really good at adapting the offense to what the strengths of the team are," he said. "I think we'll be able to be successful."

Freshman quarterback Matt Berry, who is just returning to BYU from a mission, is optimistic about the team's capabilities.

"We're a great team so we set great expectations and we want to be the best," Berry said. "We're going to continue to improve over the summer."

Junior Brett Engemann had a good day, finishing the game 19-28 for 177 yards, throwing two touchdowns and one interception while Mortensen threw 4-10 for 33 yards. Lance Pendleton went 4-10 for 27 yards with two interceptions and Berry finished 3-11 for 18 yards while throwing two interceptions.

Touchdowns were scored by Gabriel Reid, Colby Bockwoldt and Bill Wright. Logan Deans had two TDs while David Christensen finished the game with one if his own.

Vball sweeps in seniors' final home match

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> "It's emotional. I'm not ready to not play here anymore."
> — Mike Wall, senior opposite hitter

As both fans and players lifted him on their shoulders following the Cougars' Friday night sweep of Santa Barbara, senior opposite hitter Mike Wall knew his career at BYU is coming to an end.

"It's emotional," he said. "I'm not ready to not play here anymore."

Before the game, BYU and coach Carl McGown honored four seniors — outside hitter Todd Clevenger, libero Mike Wilton, outside hitter Joaquin Acosta and Wall.

In their final regular season home match, Acosta and Wall continued to show their dominance.

Acosta led the Cougars with 20 kills on 28 attacks, an average of .643, while Wall had 18 kills on 29 attacks, averaging .517 for the match.

"It was awesome," Acosta said. "It's a little ironic my final home match was against the team I started with."

Santa Barbara came out determined to put a sour note on the night for the seniors.

Senior opposite hitter Ben Koski led the way for the Gauchos with nine kills in game one.

The Cougars pulled out to a six-point lead at 14-8, but the Gauchos wrangled their way back into the game and eventually closed the lead to one point at 29-28 as UCSB blocked an Acosta attack.

Acosta came right back and put down the game winner to take game one 30-28.

BYU came out on fire in game two as the Cougars grabbed a quick 5-0 lead, thanks to some key blocks.

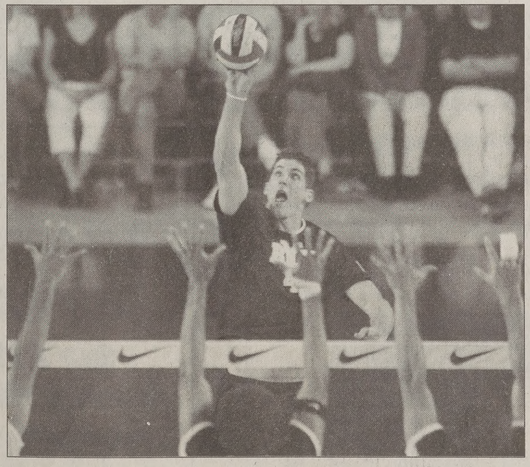
Freshman setter Carlos Moreno, who would lead the team in blocks with six, picked up his second when he blocked UCSB outside hitter Andy Rivera.

Three points later, Acosta blocked Koski to make the score 4-0. Then he made his second kill of the game to give BYU a 5-0 lead.

Santa Barbara called timeout and came out to cut the Cougar lead to two.

Gaucho errors helped BYU take an 11-7 lead. Santa Barbara fought back and evened the score at 12.

Acosta's nine kills for the game aided the Cougars in pulling out to a 28-21 lead.



Senior outside hitter Joaquin Acosta drives the ball past UC Santa Barbara's front line during Saturday's match in the Smith Fieldhouse. It was the last home match for several seniors.

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The Gauchos scored two more before sophomore outside hitter Jonathon Alleman came off the bench for BYU and earned his first kill of the match.

Leading 29-23, BYU forced Koski to hit the ball out of bounds, giving the Cougars a 30-23 win, and 2-0 lead.

In game three, the Gauchos looked as if they might force a fourth game to be played.

UCSB fought through several ties, and took its first lead of the night at 14-13 as Rivera and freshman middle blocker Michael Kennedy blocked a Wall attack.

Wall's 18th kill, a block by Moreno and Acosta's 20th kill, tied the match at 26.

The Cougars retook the lead as Acosta and junior middle blocker Rafael Paal blocked Koski to go up 28-27.

Koski's sixth hitting error of the match gave BYU match point, and Acosta and Paal won the match, 30-27, as they blocked an attempt by Rivera.

The Cougars have swept their last four matches and have a 24-2 single game record over the last eight matches.

BYU will finish its season on the road, as the team plays at UC San Diego on April 9 and 10. They then play back-to-back at No. 3 Hawaii on April 12 and 13.

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Lacrosse dominates Stanford 13-3

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Spencer Cotterell goes up against two Stanford players during the lacrosse team's 13-3 win over Stanford on Saturday. The team takes on Sonoma State at 7 tonight at the South Field.

The number 13 was lucky for the BYU lacrosse team as it defeated Stanford 13-3 Saturday night.

It marked the first time the Cougars and Cardinal have met since 1997.

"In the game tonight, we came out a little flat," senior attackman Rex Hardy.

"We were expected to beat them and it went our way."

It went the Cougars way for most of the game.

In the second quarter, the game was close with the Cougars up 4-2, but with less than seven minutes to go until halftime, the Cougar offense stepped up.

Stanford was no match for the Cougars who went on to score six unanswered goals.

Junior Jordan Archibald led the Cougars with five goals, giving him 45 goals for the season in 13 games.

"We were close for a while, but they went on a six-goal run, and when you get down on this sport with a team that has a little more talent, it's hard to come back," Stanford assistant coach Bryan Scott said. "They were a little too much for us."

The Cougar defense held the Cardinal scoreless through most of the game.

"We've been playing some teams that aren't necessarily as good as these guys," Scott said. "And I think tonight for the first time, we were challenged a little bit on the defense."

Senior defenseman Aaron Quiggle was unassisted as he passed the midfield and scored with only 21 seconds to go.

The Cougars wasted no time scoring again.

With his teammates counting down the seconds, junior attackman Jimmy Young scored, giving the Cougars an 8-2 lead at halftime.

"BYU is an outstanding team. They moved the ball extremely well," Scott said. They are one of the top teams in the country without question."

The biggest difference in the game was that the Cougars had 15 penalties while the Cardinal received only five, but that didn't stop the Cougars from dominating throughout the entire game.

"We expected more. We gave them a lot of opportunities to come in and creep into the game," Hardy said.

The second half was no different as the Cardinal scored only one goal, while the Cougars finished with five more.

The Cougar defense showed consistency as it prevented Stanford from causing any damage, even with one man down at times throughout the game.

"As much as they have been in the penalty box, our defense really stepped up tonight like they have all year," head coach Jason Lamb said.

The Cougars will play in a tough battle against No. 1 Sonoma State at 7 tonight at the South Field.

"I'll tell you this, they are going to push, push, push," Lamb said. "Sonoma is going to be like two trains hitting in the night, and I don't know what's going to happen."

SDSU Aztecs sna softball's win stre

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"I was pleased we stayed competitiv and we just have improve our defe — Mar Ami softball head

It was finally the start of conference play, something the softball team had been looking forward to.

The players were confident their already successful play would improve.

"I think that we're going to peak at the right time," sophomore outfielder Oli Keohohou said before the games this weekend.

Unfortunately, the first weekend of games against conference opponents turned out to be bittersweet.

The softball team started the weekend strong by sweeping its double header against UNLV, winning the games 7-3 and 6-0.

But a six-hour drive from Las Vegas to California for the games the next day against San Diego State took its toll.

The Cougars were swept in that double header, losing 5-4 and 2-0.

"It's kind of a miserable trip to play back to back," said head coach Mary Kay Amicone.

She said the difference between the games Friday and those Saturday was "fatigue, no question."

"If you're the slightest bit hurt in your lineup, there's no turnaround," she said.

And it showed, as starting center fielder Liz VanderLindon couldn't play the second game against San Diego State because of an injury.

Amicone said she was pleased overall with her team's play, especially in the second game against UNLV.

"For us, yesterday, it was a total team effort," she said.

Included in the team's play was a 3-3 with three RBIs performance by junior Cynthia Fallowfield.

Amicone said Friday's sweep of UNLV was big for the Cougars because they were able to sweep while playing on the road.

Junior outfielder Cadiente said the team well against UNLV.

"We got ahead in the game against UNLV coasted from there," said.

Getting swept by the Saturday was disappoin the team, Amicone said they were hoping to get that double header.

"Our goal is to never b It's one of our team goals didn't accomplish it tod said.

However, the games w total disappointment.

"Today was a scramb behind the whole time," said. "I was pleased w competitive and we just improve our defense."

Cadiente said Saturday off day for the team.

"We didn't get as m today as we did yesterd said. "We just struggled more today than usual."

Amicone said they are forward to the upcomin conference games.

"There's a lot to look to. We're a very good te said. "Now we're home look forward to being ho while."

The Cougars will play against Colorado State a Mexico on Saturday. Bo are double headers at Ga Field.

Two divers earn All-American honors

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BYU divers Justin Wilcock and Andy Bradley each earned All-American honors at the NCAA Championships in Athens, Ga.

The performances of junior Wilcock and freshman Bradley lifted the men's swim team to a No. 23 ranking in the final national standings.

"Our divers represented BYU well," said head diving coach Keith Russell. "I'm glad they were able to help rank the entire team in the top 25 and help our university in the Sears Cup standings."

Wilcock placed seventh in the country in the 3-meter event, earning first-team All-American status with a score of 569.35. He is the first BYU diver to garner first-team All-American honors since Russell accomplished the feat in 1972.

Wilcock also finished as a second-team All-American in the 1-meter and platform events with scores of 288.90 and 481.10 respectively.

"We're really excited about Wilcock's first-team All-American performance," said men's swim head coach Tim Powers. "He was the only diver to score points in the platform without having the opportunity to practice on a 10-meter platform himself."

Bradley achieved All-American status by finishing 16th in the 1-meter event with a score of 285.50, good enough for second-team honors. He is only the sixth diver in school history to be named an All-American.

Texas edged Stanford 512-501 to walk away with its third-straight team championship and ninth overall. The 11-point difference was the second closest margin since 1984.

"No one said the team race was going to be easy, and the divers kept us in it," said Texas sophomore breaststroke specialist Brendan Hansen in a news release. "We are definitely the Texas Diving and Swimming Team, not the Texas Swimming and Diving Team."

Swimmer of the year honors went to Erik Vendt of Southern California, who won two events and scored a meet-high 57 points.

Troy Dumais of Texas also won two events and was named the diver of the year. Swimming and diving coach of the year honors went to Florida's Greg Troy and Texas' Matt Scoggin.

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By the half, Women's Cougar Rugby had taken a 17-0 lead.

"Many times we'll get the lead and then not score in the second half," coach John Seggar said.

But the team doubled its score in the second half and also shut out Weber State.

One of the players to score was Sarah Gilmore. Seggar described her scoring play as "absolutely amazing."

Around the 20-minute mark of the second half, a scrum was held around the Weber State 5-yard line. It was the first time Gilmore had picked up a ball and she scored a try (worth five points).

Cynthia Williams also scored her first points ever. Sophomore fullback Texan Briggs, Tonya Tripp and senior winger Melanie Johnston, who kicked two conversions, also put points on the board for Women's Cougar Rugby.

Women's Cougar Rugby has now posted a 19-6 record.

In 12 of the wins, Women's Cougar Rugby has shut out its opponents.

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...ster Amber England said the whole team helped out during Saturday's game.

"The whole team played well, our transitions were better, and we all passed well," she said.

Sophomore third man Jessica Psillos attributed part of the victory to goalie Justice Sorensen's outstanding performance.

"Justice played amazing. She had a lot of shots taken on her and she did a great job defending the goal," she said.

The women's lacrosse team has a chance to go to nationals for U.S. Lacrosse Intercollegiate Associates. They play the qualifying game April 19 against either Colorado State, or University of Colorado.

The next women's lacrosse game is at Utah State on April 13.

"Every victory helps our enthusiasm, and we play better together as a team. This win keeps us pumped up," Psillos said.

Cougs turn in qualifying marks

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When BYU women's track head coach Craig Poole stands aside at meets with paper and a stopwatch in his hands, he has one main purpose in mind — to scrutinize his athletes.

"The objective is to problem solve," he said.

If his athletes are not performing up to their capabilities, Poole said he must figure out whether if it is because of a breakdown in technique, emotional or psychological interference or if lack of conditioning is an issue.

"You have to look at all those factors and try to determine whether their performance was a good performance or a poor performance for that day," Poole said. "If it's a poor performance, then why? Are they tired? Are they stressed out? What's going on with them?"

Poole said the scrutiny determines the focus of his practices, and his athletes are reaping the dividends.

In weekend competitions at the University of Stanford and the University of Texas El Paso, seven Cougars met qualifying standards for the NCAA Championships in May, and more than 12 athletes recorded lifetime best marks.

According to distance coach Patrick Shane, the Stanford Invitational "has become the place to run fast if you are a distance runner."

Competing in her first 10,000-meter run, senior Devra Vierkant finished in sixth place in a time of 33:56.02, and teammate Lindsey Thomson trailed close behind and ended up ninth in 33:56.02.

Both times guarantee the runners a spot at the NCAA Championship, and because four of the athletes who beat Vierkant were not NCAA affiliated, her time is the second fastest collegiate mark in the nation this year.

Jessie Kindschi also had a NCAA qualifying time in the event with a time of 34:32.48, a 45-seconds improvement.

Two provisional qualifying times came out of the 3000-steeplechase from junior All-American Nan Evans who won the event in 10:14.16 and freshman Breanne Sandberg who placed sixth in 10:28.87, All-American Jaime Philburn placed second in the 1500-meter run in a provisional time of 4:22.98.

Halfway across the country in Texas, Cougar athletes were chalking up personal best marks as well. This resulted in a victory at the UTEP Springtime Invitational with a score 146 points to the University of Illinois' 125, a team triumphant over the Cougars early in the indoor season.

BYU recorded three event titles and eight second-place finishes. Sophomore Kendall Hathaway won the 400-meter hurdles for the second time this season, and Poole said he was also impressed with her performance in the 1600-meter relay.

Hathaway shaved nearly two seconds off her previous best 400-meter time, running her leg in 56.9 seconds.

Freshman Jennifer Rockwell recorded two lifetime best marks at the competition in the 200-meter (25.16) and 400-meter (55.68).

In the field events, the Cougars had a one-two finish in the javelin with freshman Lindsey Johnson winning the event with a NCAA provisional throw of 156-07.50, and sophomore Missy Wood placing second with a 144-05.0 mark.

Men's track excels in Stanford Invitational

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The men's track team took 10 of its finest distance runners to the Stanford Invitational over the weekend to be tested against some of the best athletes in the nation.

The Cougars responded well to the challenge as three individuals won their heats and one earned a national championship provisional qualifying mark.

Senior Tyler Bushnell was the highlight for BYU by claiming a provisional qualifying mark and winning his heat in the 3,000-meter steeplechase event. Bushnell set a personal record of 8:52.27, destroying his old time by over 12 seconds.

"This race was a big confidence boost for the rest of the year," Bushnell said. "I now realize that I can compete with the big dogs."

Senior Mao Tjiroze put up the best score for BYU in the 800-meter run. With a time of 1:49.75 Tjiroze placed fifth overall. Jeff Hopkinson ran 1:50.21 to win his heat and place in the top 10 overall.

Andy Carman was impressive as he ran the 5,000-meters in 14:23.75 and finished first in his heat. Steve Barrus set a personal record and placed third in the 1,500-meters in 3:49.08.

The Cougars also saw a couple of freshmen step up and have good competitions.

Ty Jensen set a personal best in the 1,500-meters while finishing second in his heat, and Mark Nevers ran his first ever 10,000-meter race in 30:12.00.

"It was an excellent meet for us," assistant coach Ed Eyestone said. "We brought 10 guys and probably seven of them had real strong showings."

Despite the absence of the best distance athletes and the best pole vaulter and long jumper, the rest of the Cougar team won the UTEP Springtime Invitational.

BYU finished with 166 points to edge out the host Miners, who finished with 158 points. Kansas State and The University of New Mexico tied for third place with 137 points.

The men were led by Daniel Arrhenius, who had two of the Cougars six event titles on the day. Arrhenius had a season-best mark of 175-09.50 to win the discuss and a throw of 52-09.50 to win the shot put.

Matt Nielsen continued his dominance in the 200-meter dash with a personal record and a first place finish. Nielsen won with a time of 21.12.

Other first-place finishers included Kish Beverley in the 400-meters with a time of 47.17 and Erik Rasmussen in the pole vault. Rasmussen vaulted 16-10.75.

"We had a very good meet for the most part, considering we did not have our distance team," head coach Mark Robison said. "A lot of kids performed very well and had personal bests. We are moving in the right direction."

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Karl Malone takes closer look at running for office

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Karl Malone says he's serious when he talks about being a Republican candidate for governor.

The NBA's No. 2 all-time scorer as the GOP's No. 1 Utah leader?

"It do interest me, matter of fact," the Jazz star said before practice Friday. "It really do."

After an inspirational visit with President Bush at the White House prior to last year's NBA All-Star Game, Malone publicly pondered a career in politics when his playing days ended.

In February, Interior Secretary Gale Norton named Malone to the newly formed National Wildlife Refuge System Centennial Commission, a 19-member panel created to suggest ways to preserve pristine lands and endangered wildlife.

Now, with retirement on the horizon, the 38-year-old Malone is thinking about public office yet again.

Malone, an avid outdoorsman and major contributor to the Republican Party in Utah, said he and hunting buddy Don Peay have been batting around the idea of actually teaming to run.

Peay, of Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, is a lobbyist who has represented Utah Republican Sen. Orrin Hatch at land and wildlife meetings.

> **"I think he better worry about basketball first. Then he can always go into politics."**
>
> — Jerry Sloan, head coach of the Utah Jazz

Peay and Malone were in Canada "and we just kind of kicked it around, laughing and talking about it," Malone said. "He said, 'What do you think?' I said, 'Who knows, you know?'"

Malone insists the laughter has subsided. Now, he's no longer kidding.

Becoming governor, he said, is "something that's kind of intriguing to me."

The seat now occupied by three-term Republican Gov. Mike Leavitt is up for election in 2004.

Already, Malone is making campaign promises.

"What would make me a good governor is when I tell you something, it's the truth," Malone said.

"We won't be wasting a lot of money that we been wasting on unnecessary stuff," he added. "Put it like this: I'll put money where it should be. I'll put it in the police department, our school system."

Malone has another season beyond this one, worth about $20 million in salary, remaining on his contract with the Jazz.

How long the Mailman plays beyond that — and whether he continues to chase Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's career scoring record — could in part depend on how much money Jazz owner Larry H. Miller is willing and able to pay him in the 2003-2004 season.

Malone said he has discussed the idea with Hatch "a couple more high-profile people," including former U.S. Ambassador to Singapore Jon Huntsman Jr., a deputy U.S. trade representative and son of Utah industrialist Jon Huntsman.

One man with whom he apparently hasn't broached the subject is Jazz coach Jerry Sloan.

"What do I think?" Sloan said. "I think he better worry about basketball first. Then he can always go into politics."

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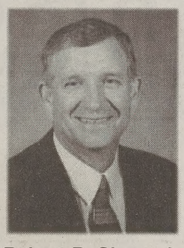

Robert B. Sloan, Jr.

President, Baylor University

Leadership: Core Convictions and Character

Dr. Robert B. Sloan, Jr., became the twelfth president of Baylor University on June 1, 1995, leaving his position as founding dean of Baylor's George W. Truett Theological Seminary.

He attended Baylor from 1967 to 1970, graduating early with a bachelor of arts degree. He then attended Princeton Theological Seminary, where he earned his master of divinity degree in 1973. He conducted post-baccalaureate research in church history at the University of Bristol, England, from 1973 to 1974 and earned a doctor of theology degree in 1978 from the University of Basel, Switzerland.

Sloan joined the faculty of Baylor's Department of Religion in 1983 after holding teaching positions at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth and at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. In 1990 he became the first holder of the George W. Truett Chair in Evangelism at Baylor, and in 1993 he was appointed dean of Truett Seminary.

Sloan has held positions as pastor or interim pastor of more than 20 churches in Texas, Oklahoma, New Jersey, and in Germany. He has authored two books, assisted with the editing of several books, and published more than 50 articles and chapters for scholarly or ecumenical journals and publications.

His address will focus on the essential elements of leadership, particularly for talented young people of faith; the ingredients in the recipe for leadership; and how leadership relates to the notions of faithfulness and excellence, character and commitment. He will consider how an individual's core convictions inform, motivate, and enable the development of leadership.

He is married to the former Sue Collier of Cisco, Texas. They are members of the First Baptist Church of Waco and the parents of seven children.

A question-and-answer session will be held at 12 noon in the Cougar Room of the Marriott Center.

Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz — No. 0218

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6 "___ of the Times" (Petula Clark hit)
11 HBO rival
14 ___ acid
15 Beach
16 Lens protector
17 For rent
18 16th president, informally
20 Barely make, with "out"
21 Colored
23 Italian or Jewish, e.g.
24 Braves, Mets and Cubs, for short
26 Join the service
27 By order of succession
29 ___ Motel, in "Psycho"
30 Go by bike
31 Stuck together
32 "For shame!"
35 He sold his birthright to Jacob
36 43rd president, informally
37 Wafflike
38 No. on a business card
39 ___ toast
40 Tractor maker
41 Eucalyptus eater
42 Daredevil's cord
43 How fast-talkers talk
45 Desert plants
46 Early game in a tournament
47 Discontinued German money
48 Popular cooking spray
51 23rd president, informally
53 Litter member
55 ET carrier
56 Refrain in "Old MacDonald"
57 Bungling
58 Everest, e.g.: Abbr.
59 Catch
60 Grant's side in the Civil War

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1 Amount charged
2 "Nothing's broken"
3 30th president, informally
4 Opposite WSW
5 "Told ya!"
6 Gray flakes
7 Like show horses
8 Charged particle
9 Beverage at a Japanese restaurant
10 Got comfy
11 Pictures put into computers
12 A bad one should be kicked
13 Oil cartel
19 "Get a load of ___!"
22 Samovar
25 Humdinger
26 Class that doesn't require much studying
27 "Original Gangster" rapper
28 Nasdaq rival
29 42nd president, informally
31 Throughout
32 40th president, informally
33 Father
34 Midleg
36 Request for a hand
37 Circus site
39 Hanging sculptures
40 Bowling target
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42 Sot's spot
43 Cheat, in a way
44 Reveal
45 Dugout, e.g.
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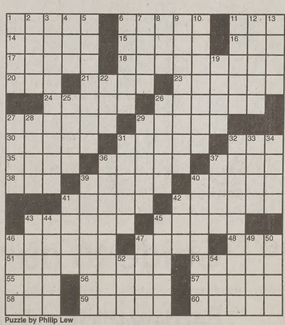

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